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For:

**Controlled Release Formulations Using Intelligent Polymers** 

BOX Fee Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

[X] Applicants claim Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. 1.27)

[] No additional fee is required.

[] Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUS PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	SMALL ENTITY RATE	FEE
Total Claims	30	29	1	x \$9 =	\$9.00
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	•	TOTAL FEE DUE			\$49.00

- [X] A check in the amount of \$49.00 is enclosed.
- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 04-1133 in the amount of \$0.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-1133, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **AMENDMENT**

Box Fee Amendment Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2000 in the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 28 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A controlled release pharmaceutical composition comprising:

(a) at least one pharmaceutically active substance having a water contact angle () such that cos is between +0.9848 and -0.9848;

(b) a first intelligent polymer component; and

(c) a second intelligent polymer component having opposited wettability characteristics to said first intelligent polymer component, said second intelligent polymer component comprising hydroxyethylcellulose or a mixture of hydroxyethylcellulose and

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